IMPROVING ACCURACY THROUGH EMERGING TECHNOLOGY IN EVENT DATA RECORDERS

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Event Data Recorders

- EDR is a component of all Airbag Control Modules
- In 2006, NHTSA released 49CFR563, regulating EDR
 - Minimum reporting requirements, e.g. speed, braking, seatbelts
 - Data must be commercially available
- The EDR records continuously

Some Background...

- A triggering event will "lock" the recording
- "Deployment" or "Non-Deployment" Events

PROJECT GOALS

- Provide the most up-to-date equipment to all members of CARS to capture volatile crash data
- Obtain appropriate software license to operate specific equipment
- Train and certify current members of CARS to correctly analyze and interpret crash data

PROPOSAL

Acquire twenty-two (22) Bosch CDR900 Kits with cases Total Cost \$100,300 Acquire three (3) Tesla Kits **TOTAL COST:** Total Cost \$4,620 \$132,750 Acquire one (1) Hyundai EDR Kit Total Cost \$4,758 Acquire one (1) software license for Hyundai EDR Kit Total Cost \$908 Acquire one (1) Kia EDR Kit Total Cost \$4,758 Acquire one (1) software license for Kia EDR Kit Total Cost \$908 Host a forty (40) hour course in EDR Analysis, Level 2 Total Cost \$16,500

2012-2019 Acura MDX		2017-2019 Acura SX	2013-2019 Acura ILX
Bosch 2013-2019 Acura RDX 12012-2013 Acura RDX 12012-2013 Acura RDX Ura TL 2015-2019 Audi A3	DR. 9(0002-2014 2012-2013 - Cura Z X	2015-2019 Acura TLX
Supported vehicles go back as far as			2015-207 2015-20.
1994		2017-2019 Audi R8 2017-2019 Audi RS3	2015-2019 Aŭdi A8
2017-2019 Audi RS6 2017-2019 Audi RS7 2015-2019 Audi S3	88% of model year 2016 and		
	2015 -2019 Audi S5	newer are suppor	
Can be only available			
evidence in a crash	2017-2019 Audi Q7 1994-2007 Cadillac Commercial	Some of the vehicles supported by Bosch	
1995-1997 Cadillac Concourse 2016-2019 Cadillac CT6	2000 2011 Codillos DTC	1995-2005 Cadillac Deville	2003-2019 Cadillac CTS

2006 2011 Cadillas DTC

Bosch CDR 900

Data can include:

Turn Signal Operation Yaw Rate Tire Pressure Change in Velocity Manifold Pressure Steering Input Seatbelt Usage Speed Brakes Engine RPM Throttle ABS

Cruise Control Status Gear Position Roll Angle/Roll Rate Vehicle Fault Codes Traction Control

Bosch CDR 900

EMERGING TECHNOLOGY

- Pre-Collision Detection Systems
- Lane Departure Alerts
- Dynamic Radar Cruiser Control
- Automatic Emergency Braking





ON SCENE INVESTIGATIONS



- Data from Non-Deployment Events is volatile and can be overwritten
- Crashes involving vulnerable users can often trigger Non-Deployment Events
- Securing data while on scene is sometimes necessary to preserve evidence

ON SCENE INVESTIGATIONS

• Currently six (6) Bosch CDR900 kits in the field

- CARS has 23 Troopers, 4 Sergeants, and 1 Lieutenant
- CARS investigates 65-70% of all fatal crashes in the Commonwealth
- CARS responds to 350-400 crash investigations each year

ON SCENE INVESTIGATIONS

- A total of 28 kits will allow CARS to quickly preserve electronic evidence in most vehicles we encounter at or near the time of the crash
- Improved accuracy and timeliness of data will provide a clearer picture of the crash, including:
 - Driving Behavior
 - Vehicle Features/Defects



ADDITIONAL EQUIPMENT

- CARS has one kit in use
 - Rapidly expanding field of electric vehicles
 - Tesla vehicles are leaders in this fast-growing market
 - Expect to see a significant increase in Tesla vehicles in the coming years



- CARS currently has one Kia & one Hyundai kit in use
- Approximately 1 in 20 vehicles in the US are either Hyundai or Kia
- Each kit requires a unique license, renewed annually, to register data from these vehicles

METRICS

- High-speed crash damage vs. vulnerable users
- Accessing data through the OBD-II port
- Vehicle testing on scene
- Preserving volatile data
- Expected improvement ~80%



INSTRUCTION

 $\begin{array}{c} \mbox{Event Data Recorder Use in Traffic Crash} \\ \mbox{Reconstruction} - \mbox{Level 2} \end{array} \end{array}$

Scheduled for September 23rd in Southbridge

40 hour class

INSTRUCTION

- Applying recovered data to reconstruction
- Includes:
 - Conservation of linear momentum
 - Restitution
 - Rotation
 - Delta-V
- EDR Use in TCR Level 1 completed in April



